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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

A survey was conducted throughout Australia during September to December 1982 of the population aged 14 to 20 years who were still attending school in August 1982 and those who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982. Information was sought about the reasons for choosing to continue to Year 12 schooling or for choosing to leave school prior to Year 12. Interviews were carried out over a period of approximately three months commencing 6 September 1982.

2. Preliminary results of the survey were published on 29 June 1983 in *Reasons for Completion or Non-completion of Secondary Education, Australia, 1982 (Preliminary)* (4217.0). This publication contains final, more detailed results.

3. The purpose of the survey was to attempt to determine the reasons why persons decide to stay on or leave school before completing secondary education and the socio-economic variables that may influence the choice made.

Scope and coverage

4. The survey was based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 18,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covered about one-third of one per cent of the population of Australia.

5. The estimates in this publication relate to all persons aged 14 to 20 years who were either at school in August 1982 or who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982 except:

- (a) overseas visitors touring or holidaying in Australia;
- (b) non-Australian servicemen, their spouses and their dependants, stationed in Australia;
- (c) non-Australian diplomatic staff and non-Australian members of their household; and
- (d) long term patients in hospitals, nursing homes and other health institutions, some boarding school students, and inmates of reformatories.

Survey method

6. Each person aged 14 to 20 years at school in August 1982 or who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982 in the selected dwellings was interviewed personally by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers.

Definitions

7. *School* refers to only primary and secondary schools. Any form of tertiary attendance is excluded as are coaching or business schools regardless of whether they teach school subjects. (NOTE: that secondary correspondence schools and schools of the air are included.)

8. *Type of school* refers to the governing authority of the school, that is, either government or non-government.

9. *Income units* comprise:

- (a) Married couple income units, which consist of husband, wife and dependent children (if any) as defined. De facto relationships are included;
- (b) One-parent income units, which consist of a parent and at least one dependent child;
- (c) One-person income units, which consist of persons who are not included in (a) or (b) above. Non-dependent children living with their parents are classed as one-person income units. A person who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982 and who lived alone or with unrelated persons during the period 1981-82 was classified as a one-person income unit. There were approximately 18,800 such persons who left school after completing Year 12 and approximately 17,300 such persons who left school before completing Year 12. There were approximately 7,200 students still at school who constituted their own income unit. Of these, 6,700 intended to complete Year 12.

10. *Income unit income* refers to the total gross annual income of the income unit (see above) obtained from all sources. Any income received by dependent children is not included in the income of the income unit to which they belong.

11. *Dependent children* comprise all persons under 15 years of age and those persons aged 15 to 20 years who are full-time students and who do not have a spouse or children of their own in the household and who live with their parent(s) or guardian(s).

12. *Age* refers to the age of the respondent at time of the interview, i.e. for those who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982, age is current age, not age at time of leaving school.

13. *Current employment status* refers to the person's employment status, i.e. whether they are currently:

- (a) employed;
- (b) unemployed; or
- (c) not in the labour force.

For a more detailed explanation of employment status definitions see *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0).

Reliability of the estimates

14. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they are subject to sampling variability, that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which

an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors. Another measure of the likely difference is the relative standard error, which is obtained by expressing the standard error as a percentage of the estimate.

15. Space does not allow for a separate indication of the standard error of all estimates in this publication. A table of standard errors for general application is provided. These figures do not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate but they will provide an indication of its magnitude. An example of the calculation and use of standard errors is as follows:

Table 2 shows that the estimated number of persons aged 14 to 20 years in New South Wales who intend to continue to Year 12 because they needed Year 12 for tertiary study was 65,200.

From the table it will be seen that this estimate has a standard error of about 4,700. This means that there are about two chances in three that the figure that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey will fall within the range 60,500 to 69,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that the figure will fall within the range 55,800 to 74,600.

16. As the standard errors in the table show, the smaller the estimate, the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates would thus be subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In this publication, only estimates with relative standard errors less than approximately 30 per cent are considered sufficiently reliable for most purposes. Estimates with relative standard errors greater than 30 per cent have not been shown and although figures for these components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

Proportions and percentages formed from the ratio of two estimates are also subject to sampling errors. The size of the error depends on the accuracy of both the numerator and the denominator. The formula for the relative standard error (RSE) of a proportion is:

$$\text{RSE (x/y)} = \sqrt{[\text{RSE(x)}]^2 - [\text{RSE(y)}]^2}$$

The relative standard errors of the numerator and denominator are obtained as shown in the paragraph above.

17. The imprecision due to sampling variability should not be confused with inaccuracies that may have occurred because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents and errors made in the coding and processing of data. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the non-sampling error, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or only a sample.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

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Comparability with other data

18. Care should be exercised when comparing data contained in this publication with other education data. Users should be aware that the reliability of the estimates (see paragraph 14), timing and methodology of a survey are different from annual data collections.

In particular, estimates from the survey of school students by age will differ from those obtained in the national schools collection because of the different reference dates (age at 1 July in the school collection, age at time of interview in the survey, which was conducted between September and December).

Unpublished data

19. Some additional information may be available upon request. However, the extent to which additional tabulations can be produced is severely limited by the small size of the population covered in the survey. In particular, high sampling errors will prevent detailed cross-classified information being produced for individual States.

Related publications

20. Other ABS publications which may be of interest to users are:

National Schools Collection, Government Schools, Australia, 1982 (4215.0)

Non-Government Schools, Australia, 1983 (4216.0)

Colleges of Advanced Education, Australia, 1982 (4206.0)

University Statistics, Australia, 1982 (4208.0).

Current publications produced by the ABS are listed in the *Catalogue of Publications, Australia* (1101.0). The ABS also issues, on Tuesdays and Fridays, a *Publications Advice* (1105.0) which lists publications to be released in the next few days. The Catalogue and Publications Advice are available from any ABS office.

Symbols and other usages

* subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See paragraph 14

.. not applicable

21. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Students still at school

There were an estimated 733,100 students (373,200 males and 359,900 females) aged 14 to 20 years attending school in Australia in August 1982.

Of these students, over 65 per cent (218,600 males and 260,000 females) intended to complete Year 12. The main reason given for intending to complete Year 12, by 191,800 students, was that it would help them to obtain a preferred job. Another 187,000 students gave their main reason as needing Year 12 for tertiary study.

Nearly 35 per cent of students (154,600 males and 99,900 females) intended to leave school before completing Year 12. The main reason given for intending to leave before Year 12, by 88,800 students, was that they wanted to begin an apprenticeship or job training.

DIAGRAM 1. MAIN REASON FOR INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12

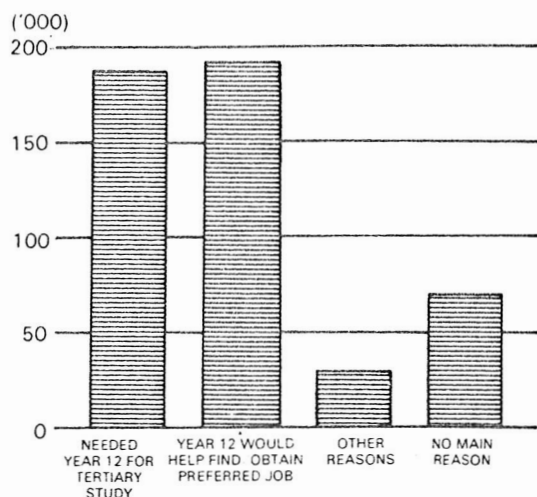
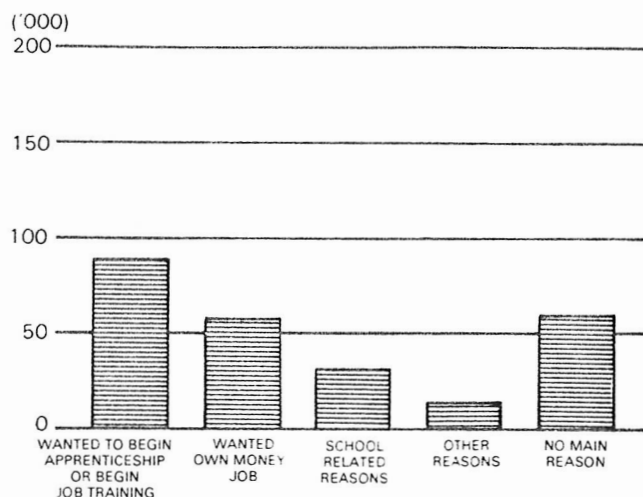


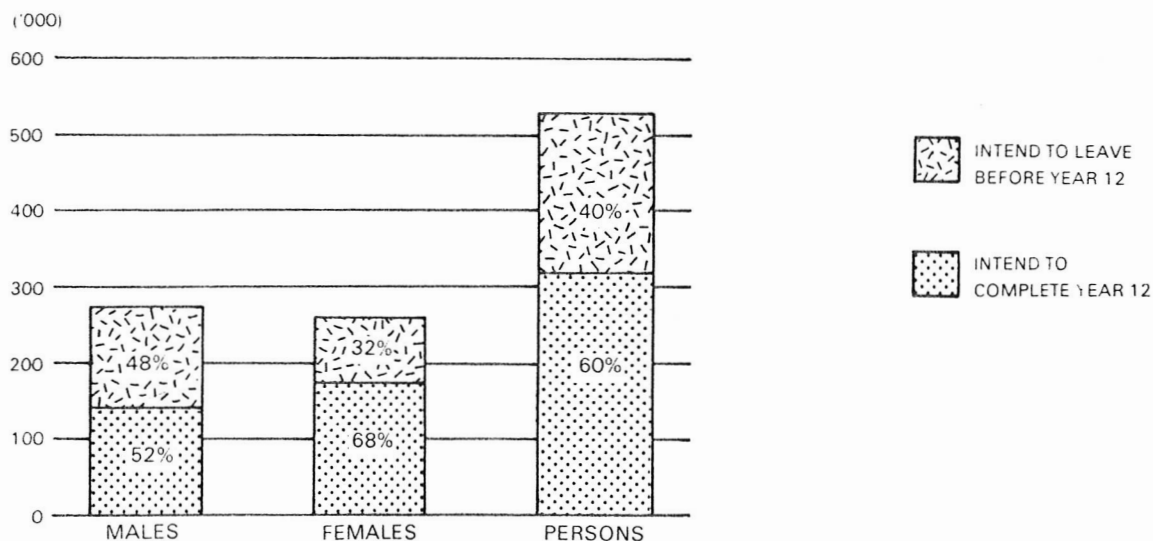
DIAGRAM 2. MAIN REASON FOR INTENDING TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12



There were an estimated 532,000 students (272,300 males and 259,600 females) aged 14 to 20 years attending Government Schools in Australia in August 1982.

Of these students 317,900 (142,400 males and 175,500 females) intended to complete Year 12 and 214,100 (129,900 and 84,200 females) intended to leave before completing Year 12.

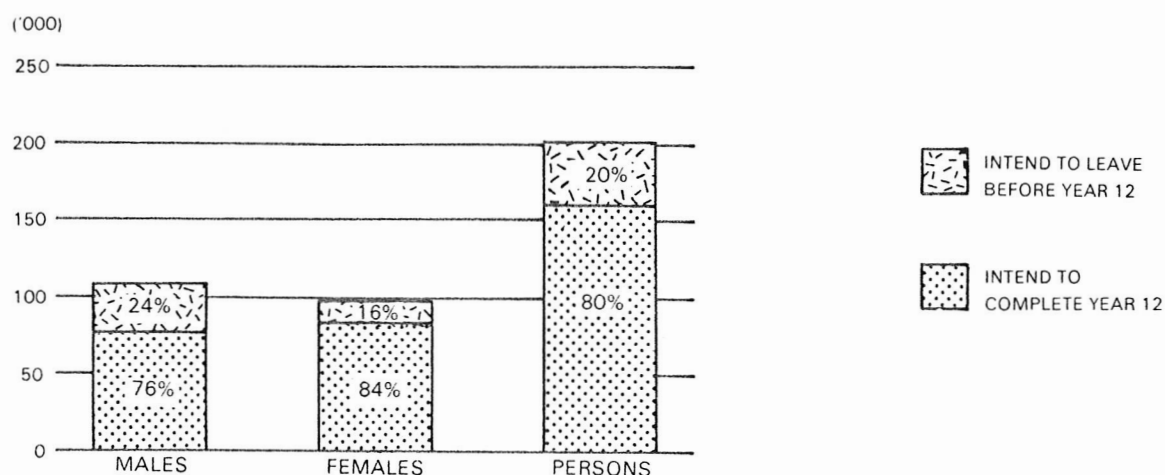
DIAGRAM 3. STUDENTS STILL AT SCHOOL INTENDING/NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12
— GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS



There were an estimated 201,100 students (100,800 males and 100,300 females) aged 14 to 20 years attending non-government schools in Australia in August 1982.

Of these students 160,800 (76,200 males and 84,500 females) intended to complete Year 12 and 40,400 (24,600 males and 15,800 females) intended to leave before completing Year 12.

**DIAGRAM 4. STUDENTS STILL AT SCHOOL INTENDING/NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12
—NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS**



Persons who left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982

There were an estimated 246,000 persons (124,700 males and 121,300 females) aged 14 to 20 years who had left school in the twelve months prior to August 1982.

Of those persons 36 per cent (39,700 males and 48,800 females) completed Year 12. The main reason given for completing Year 12, by 39,400 persons, was that they needed it to go on to tertiary study.

Sixty-four per cent of persons (85,000 males and 72,500 females), left school before completing Year 12. The main reason given for leaving school before Year 12, by 42,700 persons, was that they wanted to get a job/wanted their own money. Another 40,800 persons gave their main reason as wanting to begin an apprenticeship or begin job training.

DIAGRAM 5. MAIN REASON FOR PERSONS COMPLETING YEAR 12

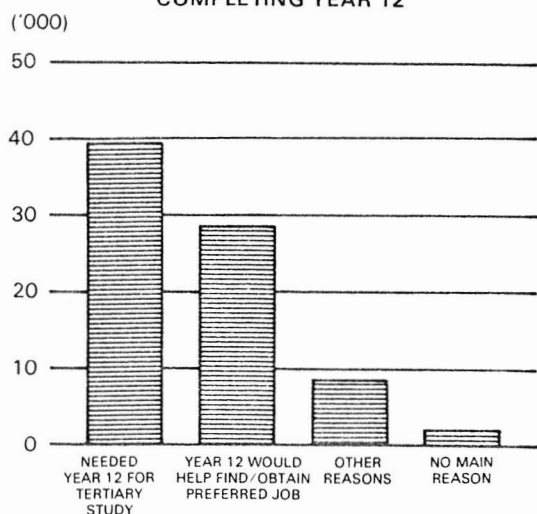
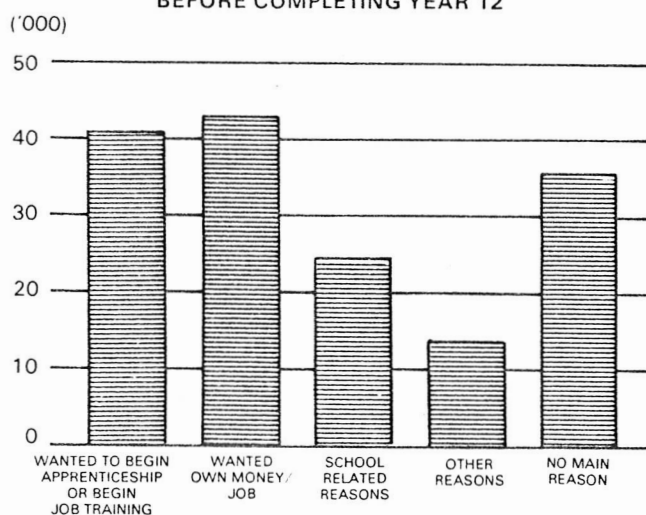


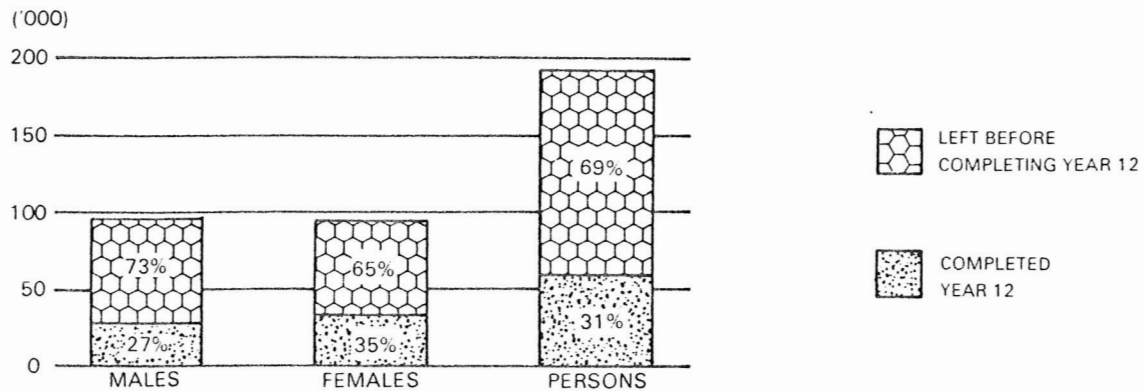
DIAGRAM 6. MAIN REASON FOR PERSONS LEAVING SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12



There were an estimated 192,200 persons (96,300 males and 95,800 females) aged 14 to 20 years who had left a Government School in the twelve months prior to August 1982.

Of these persons 59,100 (25,800 males and 33,300 females) completed Year 12, and 133,000 (70,600 males and 62,500 females) left before completing Year 12.

DIAGRAM 7. PERSONS WHO LEFT SCHOOL IN THE TWELVE MONTHS PRIOR TO AUGUST 1982
—GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS



There were an estimated 53,900 persons (28,300 males and 25,600 females) who had left a non-government school in the twelve months prior to August 1982.

Of these persons 29,300 (13,900 males and 15,500 females) had completed Year 12, and 24,600 persons (14,500 males and 10,100 females) left before completing Year 12.

DIAGRAM 8. PERSONS WHO LEFT SCHOOL IN THE TWELVE MONTHS PRIOR TO AUGUST 1982
—NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

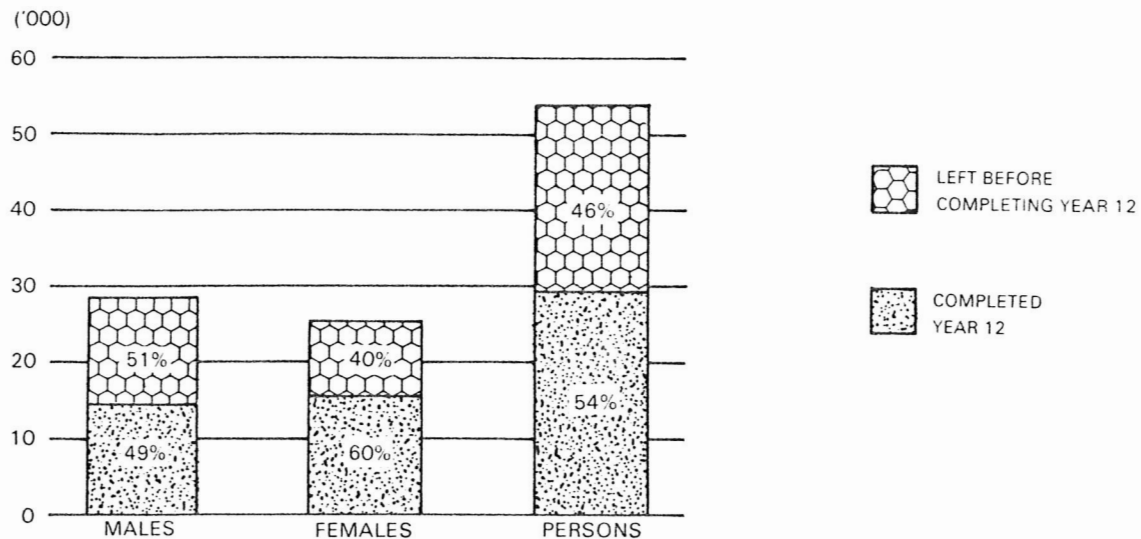


TABLE 1. COMPLETION OR NON-COMPLETION OF YEAR 12, AUSTRALIA, 1982—SUMMARY
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Age (years)	Government schools			Non-government schools			All schools		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO INTEND TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: AGE BY SEX BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982									
14	37.7	52.8	90.5	19.7	24.7	44.4	57.4	77.6	134.9
15	32.7	43.5	76.2	18.9	20.7	39.6	51.6	64.2	115.7
16	29.8	40.9	70.7	19.5	18.6	38.1	49.3	59.5	108.8
17	26.8	26.0	52.7	12.3	16.6	29.0	39.1	42.6	81.7
18 to 20	15.5	12.2	27.7	5.8	*	9.7	21.3	16.2	37.5
Total	142.4	175.5	317.9	76.2	84.5	160.8	218.6	260.0	478.6
SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: AGE BY SEX BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982									
14	50.4	32.8	83.2	10.2	6.1	16.3	60.5	38.9	99.5
15	54.5	33.8	88.3	7.3	7.1	14.4	61.8	40.9	102.6
16	20.0	14.7	34.7	*	*	7.2	24.6	17.2	41.8
17	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.9	*	7.2
18 to 20	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Total	129.9	84.2	214.1	24.6	15.8	40.4	154.6	99.9	254.5
PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12: AGE BY SEX BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982									
16 and 17	*	7.2	12.0	*	*	*	5.8	8.8	14.6
18	12.2	15.0	27.2	7.4	9.8	17.2	19.6	24.8	44.4
19 to 20	8.9	11.1	20.0	5.5	*	9.5	14.3	15.2	29.5
Total	25.8	33.3	59.1	13.9	15.5	29.3	39.7	48.8	88.5
PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: AGE BY SEX BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982									
14 and 15	8.0	9.8	17.8	*	*	*	8.6	9.8	18.4
16	31.1	27.5	58.7	7.7	*	10.8	38.9	30.6	69.4
17	27.5	21.8	49.2	*	5.2	9.7	32.0	26.9	59.0
18 to 20	*	*	7.3	*	*	*	5.6	5.3	10.8
Total	70.6	62.5	133.0	14.5	10.1	24.6	85.0	72.5	157.6

TABLE 1. COMPLETION OR NON-COMPLETION OF YEAR 12, AUSTRALIA, 1982—SUMMARY—continued
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Main reason for staying	14	15	16	17	18 to 20	Total	14	15	16	17	18 to 20	Total
SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL, BY AGE, AUSTRALIA, 1982												
	—'000 —						— per cent —					
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	42.1	38.8	46.9	38.9	20.3	187.0	31.2	33.5	43.1	47.6	54.1	39.1
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	61.5	52.3	39.1	28.0	11.0	191.8	45.6	45.2	35.9	34.3	29.3	40.1
No main reason	23.2	17.4	15.8	9.4	*	69.9	17.2	15.0	14.5	11.5	*	14.5
Other	8.1	7.2	7.0	5.5	*	29.9	6.0	6.2	6.4	6.7	*	6.2
Total	134.9	115.7	108.8	81.7	37.5	478.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL, BY AGE, AUSTRALIA, 1982												
	—'000 —						— per cent —					
Wanted to begin apprenticeship	28.6	27.5	14.5	*	*	72.7	28.8	26.8	34.7	*	*	28.6
Wanted to undertake job training not available at school	5.2	6.9	*	*	*	16.1	5.2	6.7	*	*	*	6.3
Wanted to get a job	13.5	23.0	6.2	*	*	44.0	13.6	22.4	14.8	*	*	17.3
Fed up with school	8.0	8.1	*	*	*	18.6	8.1	7.9	*	*	*	7.3
Subjects too hard	5.4	5.3	*	*	*	14.1	5.5	5.2	*	*	*	5.5
No main reason	28.3	19.0	8.7	*	*	59.2	28.4	18.5	20.8	*	*	23.3
Other	10.4	12.9	6.0	*	*	29.8	10.5	12.6	14.4	*	*	11.7
Total	99.5	102.6	41.8	7.2	*	254.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	*	100.0
Main reason for staying	16 and 17	18	19 to 20	Total	16 and 17	18	19 to 20	Total				
PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12: MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL, BY AGE, AUSTRALIA, 1982												
	—'000 —					— per cent —						
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	*	21.4	14.0	39.4	*	48.2	47.5	44.6				
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	6.3	12.0	10.2	28.6	46.0	27.0	34.6	32.3				
No main reason	*	6.5	*	11.8	*	14.6	*	13.4				
Other	*	*	*	8.6	*	*	*	9.8				
Total	14.5	44.4	29.5	88.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0				
Main reason for leaving	14 and 15	16	17	18 to 20	Total	14 and 15	16	17	18 to 20	Total		
PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL BY AGE, AUSTRALIA, 1982												
	—'000 —					— per cent —						
Wanted to begin apprenticeship	*	11.9	11.2	*	28.0	*	17.1	19.0	*	17.8		
Wanted to undertake job training not available at school	*	5.3	6.2	*	12.8	*	7.6	10.5	*	8.1		
Wanted to get a job	5.0	14.7	12.2	*	34.8	27.2	21.2	20.7	*	22.1		
Fed up with school	*	7.6	5.6	*	17.6	*	11.0	9.5	*	11.2		
No main reason	*	16.5	13.2	*	35.7	*	23.8	22.4	*	22.7		
Other	*	13.4	10.5	*	28.7	*	19.3	17.8	*	18.2		
Total	18.4	69.4	59.0	10.8	157.6	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		

TABLE 2. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1982
(^{'000})

Main reason for staying at school	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	A.C.T.	Australia (a)
— '000 —								
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	65.2	57.9	25.4	13.5	12.8	5.2	6.7	187.0
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	54.7	65.2	27.6	20.1	15.3	2.8	5.2	191.8
Other reasons	11.8	8.1	3.8	3.5	*	*	*	29.9
Total	131.8	131.2	56.8	37.1	29.4	8.1	13.1	408.7
No main reason	22.4	19.5	10.0	7.1	5.1	2.8	*	69.9
Total	154.1	150.7	66.8	44.2	34.4	10.9	15.1	478.6
— per cent —								
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	42.3	38.4	38.0	30.5	37.1	47.6	44.4	39.1
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	35.5	43.3	41.3	45.4	44.4	25.6	34.4	40.1
Other reasons	7.7	5.4	5.7	8.0	*	*	*	6.2
Total	85.5	87.1	85.0	83.9	85.3	74.3	86.4	85.4
No main reason	14.5	12.9	15.0	16.1	14.7	25.7	*	14.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes Northern Territory.

TABLE 3. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Main reason for staying at school	Government schools	Roman Catholic schools	Other Non-government schools	All schools
— '000 —				
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	116.4	42.6	27.9	187.0
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	133.7	40.7	17.4	191.8
Other reasons	20.6	6.2	*	29.9
Total	270.7	89.6	48.4	408.7
No main reason	47.2	15.4	7.4	69.9
Total	317.9	105.0	55.8	478.6
— per cent —				
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	36.6	40.6	50.1	39.1
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	42.1	38.8	31.2	40.1
Other reasons	6.5	5.9	*	6.2
Total	85.2	85.3	86.8	85.4
No main reason	14.8	14.7	13.2	14.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 4. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1982

Main reason for leaving school	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (a)
—'000—							
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	35.9	21.2	12.0	6.4	7.7	3.0	88.8
Wanted their own money/to get a job	23.6	14.9	6.8	4.9	5.2	2.0	58.3
Considered some subjects to be too hard/fed up with school	14.3	8.9	4.0	2.4	2.8	*	32.7
Other reasons	*	6.7	*	*	*	*	15.5
Total	76.5	51.7	24.2	14.5	16.9	6.0	195.3
No main reason	22.4	16.4	7.3	4.8	4.5	3.1	59.2
Total	98.9	68.2	31.5	19.4	21.4	9.1	254.5
— per cent —							
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	36.3	31.1	38.2	32.8	36.0	32.7	34.9
Wanted their own money/to get a job	23.9	21.9	21.5	25.3	24.3	22.1	22.9
Considered some subjects to be too hard/fed up with school	14.5	13.1	12.8	12.1	13.1	*	12.8
Other reasons	*	9.9	*	*	*	*	6.1
Total	77.4	76.0	76.7	75.0	79.0	66.3	76.7
No main reason	22.6	24.0	23.3	25.0	21.0	33.7	23.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

TABLE 5. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Main reason for leaving school	Government schools	Non-government schools	All schools
—'000—			
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	71.8	17.0	88.8
Wanted to get a job/their own money	51.6	6.6	58.3
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	27.5	5.2	32.7
Other reasons	10.9	*	15.5
Total	161.9	33.4	195.3
No main reason	52.2	7.0	59.2
Total	214.1	40.4	254.5
— per cent —			
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	33.5	42.0	34.9
Wanted to get a job/their own money	24.1	16.4	22.9
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	12.9	12.8	12.8
Other reasons	5.1	*	6.1
Total	75.6	82.7	76.7
No main reason	24.4	17.3	23.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 6. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1982

Main reason for staying at school	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Australia (a)
			—'000—			
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	14.0	14.1	*	2.9	3.4	39.4
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	6.4	8.7	5.9	3.6	*	28.6
Other reasons	*	*	*	*	*	8.6
Total	20.9	26.8	10.1	7.6	6.3	76.6
No main reason	*	*	*	*	*	11.8
Total	24.7	30.7	11.4	9.7	6.8	88.5
			— per cent —			
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	56.6	45.8	*	29.4	49.6	44.5
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	25.8	28.3	51.7	37.3	*	32.3
Other reasons	*	*	*	*	*	9.8
Total	84.6	87.2	89.3	78.4	93.5	86.6
No main reason	*	*	*	*	*	13.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes Tasmania, Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

TABLE 7. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR STAYING AT SCHOOL BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Main reason for staying at school	Government schools	Roman Catholic schools	Other Non-government schools	All schools
			—'000—	
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	21.8	9.4	8.2	39.4
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	22.8	*	*	28.6
Other reasons	5.9	*	*	8.6
Total	50.5	15.3	10.8	76.6
No main reason	8.6	*	*	11.8
Total	59.1	17.1	12.2	88.5
			— per cent —	
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	36.9	55.1	66.6	44.5
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	38.6	*	*	32.3
Other reasons	9.9	*	*	9.8
Total	85.4	89.8	88.1	86.6
No main reason	14.6	*	*	13.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 8. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL, STATES AND TERRITORIES, 1982

Main reason for leaving school	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (a)
— '000 —							
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	13.4	11.8	7.2	*	3.9	*	40.8
Wanted their own money/to get a job	13.6	10.7	6.6	4.7	4.8	2.0	42.7
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	10.9	*	4.1	2.8	2.7	*	24.7
Other reasons	*	5.9	*	*	*	*	13.7
Total	39.8	31.8	20.1	11.0	12.8	4.1	121.9
No main reason	17.7	6.9	4.5	*	3.4	*	35.7
Total	57.6	38.7	24.6	12.1	16.2	5.5	157.6
— per cent —							
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	23.3	30.6	29.2	*	23.9	*	25.9
Wanted their own money/to get a job	23.7	27.8	27.0	39.1	29.8	36.7	27.1
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	18.9	*	16.8	22.8	16.8	*	15.7
Other reasons	*	15.3	*	*	*	*	8.7
Total	69.2	82.2	81.6	90.9	78.9	74.6	77.3
No main reason	30.8	17.8	18.4	*	21.1	*	22.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes Australian Capital Territory and Northern Territory.

TABLE 9. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12:
MAIN REASON FOR LEAVING SCHOOL BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Main reason for leaving school	Government schools	Non-government schools	All schools
— '000 —			
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	33.9	6.9	40.8
Wanted their own money/to get a job	36.3	6.4	42.7
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	20.8	*	24.7
Other reasons	11.8	*	13.7
Total	102.7	19.2	121.9
No main reason	30.3	5.4	35.7
Total	133.0	24.6	157.6
— per cent —			
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship/to undertake job training not available at school	25.5	28.1	25.9
Wanted their own money/to get a job	27.3	26.2	27.1
Considered some subjects to be too hard/were fed up with school	15.6	*	15.7
Other reasons	8.8	*	8.7
Total	77.2	78.1	77.3
No main reason	22.8	21.9	22.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 10. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
HIGHEST YEAR OF EDUCATION DESIRED BY PARENTS BY SEX, AUSTRALIA, 1982

<i>Highest year of education desired by parents</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
		—'000—			— per cent —	
12	202.4	236.2	438.6	92.6	90.8	91.6
11	*	*	*	*	*	*
8-10	..	*	*	..	*	*
Don't know	4.9	*	9.6	2.2	*	2.0
Respondent's choice/parents don't mind	11.1	17.7	28.8	5.1	6.8	6.0
Total	218.6	260.0	478.6	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 11. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
HIGHEST YEAR OF EDUCATION DESIRED BY PARENTS BY SEX, AUSTRALIA, 1982

<i>Highest year of education desired by parents</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females</i>	<i>Persons</i>
		—'000—			— per cent —	
12	31.6	25.5	57.1	20.4	25.5	22.3
11	29.7	14.9	44.6	19.2	14.9	17.5
8-10	50.5	29.7	80.3	32.7	29.7	31.6
Don't know	17.6	5.3	23.0	11.4	5.3	9.0
Respondent's choice/parents don't mind	25.1	24.5	49.6	16.3	24.5	19.5
Total	154.6	99.9	254.5	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 12. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: REASONS (AND INFLUENCE OF THOSE REASONS) FOR COMPLETING YEAR 12 BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Reasons (and influence of those reasons)		<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>
		— '000 —			— per cent —		
Liked the subjects at school	Important	286.4	62.3	348.7	71.6	79.1	72.9
	Not important	113.6	16.4	130.0	28.4	20.9	27.2
Could not obtain a job	Important	170.3	31.1	201.4	42.6	39.6	42.1
	Not important	229.6	47.6	277.2	57.4	60.4	57.9
Enjoyed school	Important	293.4	63.6	357.0	73.4	80.8	74.6
	Not important	106.5	15.1	121.6	26.6	19.2	25.4
Had friends who were staying on	Important	99.1	25.3	124.4	24.8	32.1	26.0
	Not important	300.8	53.4	354.2	75.2	67.9	74.0
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	Important	318.7	67.9	386.6	79.7	86.3	80.8
	Not important	81.2	10.7	91.9	20.3	13.7	19.2
Hadh't much else to do	Important	88.6	18.6	107.2	22.2	23.6	22.4
	Not important	311.3	60.1	371.4	77.8	76.4	77.6
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	Important	385.7	73.2	458.9	96.4	93.0	95.9
	Not important	14.2	5.5	19.7	*	*	*
Parent's wishes	Important	319.9	65.9	385.8	80.0	83.8	80.6
	Not important	80.0	12.7	92.7	20.0	16.2	19.4
Total		399.9	78.7	478.6	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 13. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: REASONS (AND INFLUENCE OF THOSE REASONS) FOR NOT COMPLETING YEAR 12 BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Reasons (and influence of those reasons)		<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>
		— '000 —			— per cent —		
Wanted their own money	Important	165.1	17.6	182.7	72.5	66.0	71.8
	Not important	62.7	9.1	71.8	27.5	34.0	28.2
Had friends leaving school	Important	43.7	*	46.6	19.2	10.8	18.3
	Not important	184.1	23.8	207.9	80.8	89.2	81.7
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship	Important	150.5	19.4	169.9	66.1	72.7	66.8
	Not important	77.3	7.3	84.6	33.9	27.3	33.3
Wanted to undertake job training not available at school	Important	183.7	23.7	207.4	80.7	88.8	81.5
	Not important	44.0	*	47.0	19.3	11.2	18.5
Wanted to get a job	Important	214.9	25.8	240.7	94.4	96.4	94.6
	Not important	12.9	*	13.8	5.6	3.6	5.4
Did not want to undertake tertiary education	Important	68.3	5.7	74.0	30.0	21.3	29.1
	Not important	159.4	21.1	180.5	70.0	78.7	71.0
Considered some subjects to be useless	Important	102.2	10.0	112.2	44.9	37.3	44.1
	Not important	125.6	16.8	142.4	55.1	62.7	56.0
Did not get on with teachers	Important	58.9	7.8	66.7	25.9	29.3	26.2
	Not important	168.8	18.9	187.7	74.1	70.7	73.8
Considered some subjects to be too hard	Important	69.4	6.1	75.5	30.5	22.9	29.7
	Not important	158.3	20.6	178.9	69.5	77.1	70.3
Were fed up with school	Important	91.7	10.3	102.0	40.2	38.7	40.1
	Not important	136.1	16.4	152.5	59.8	61.3	59.9
Parent's wishes	Important	38.9	4.2	43.1	17.1	15.7	16.9
	Not important	188.9	22.5	211.4	82.9	84.3	83.1
Total		227.7	26.7	254.5	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 14. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12: REASONS (AND INFLUENCE OF THOSE REASONS) FOR COMPLETING YEAR 12 BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Reasons (and influence of those reasons)		<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>
		—'000—			— per cent —		
Liked the subjects at school	Important	52.0	9.7	61.7	70.5	66.4	69.7
	Not important	21.8	5.0	26.8	29.5	33.6	30.3
Could not obtain a job	Important	18.8	*	21.7	25.5	*	24.5
	Not important	55.0	11.7	66.8	74.5	80.1	75.5
Enjoyed school	Important	49.8	10.8	60.6	67.5	74.0	68.5
	Not important	24.1	*	27.9	32.6	*	31.5
Had friends who were staying on	Important	14.3	5.1	19.4	19.4	34.9	21.9
	Not important	59.5	9.5	69.1	80.6	65.1	78.1
Needed Year 12 for tertiary study	Important	49.1	9.4	58.5	66.5	64.3	66.1
	Not important	24.7	5.3	30.0	33.5	35.7	33.9
Hadh't much else to do	Important	14.8	*	17.3	20.1	*	19.6
	Not important	59.0	12.2	71.1	79.9	83.6	80.4
Considered Year 12 would help to obtain preferred job	Important	67.4	12.0	79.4	91.3	82.2	89.8
	Not important	6.4	*	9.0	8.7	*	10.2
Parent's wishes	Important	36.0	7.0	43.1	48.8	47.9	48.7
	Not important	37.8	7.6	45.4	51.2	52.1	51.3
Total		73.8	14.6	88.5	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 15. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: REASONS (AND INFLUENCE OF THOSE REASONS) FOR NOT COMPLETING YEAR 12 BY COUNTRY OF BIRTH, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Reasons (and influence of those reasons)		<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Australian born</i>	<i>Overseas born</i>	<i>Total</i>
		—'000—			— per cent —		
Wanted their own money	Important	86.1	8.0	94.1	59.9	58.1	59.7
	Not important	57.7	5.8	63.5	40.1	41.9	40.3
Had friends leaving school	Important	20.0	*	21.6	13.9	*	13.7
	Not important	123.8	12.2	136.0	86.1	88.4	86.3
Wanted to begin an apprenticeship	Important	60.8	5.2	66.0	42.3	37.7	41.9
	Not important	83.0	8.6	91.6	57.7	62.3	58.1
Wanted to undertake job training not available at school	Important	83.9	7.4	91.3	58.3	53.6	57.9
	Not important	59.9	6.4	66.3	41.7	46.4	42.1
Wanted to get a job	Important	131.9	11.8	143.7	91.7	85.4	91.2
	Not important	11.9	*	13.9	8.3	*	8.8
Did not want to undertake tertiary education	Important	39.7	*	42.7	27.6	*	27.1
	Not important	104.1	10.8	114.9	72.4	78.6	72.9
Considered some subjects to be useless	Important	66.2	5.3	71.5	46.0	38.2	45.4
	Not important	77.6	8.5	86.1	54.0	61.8	54.6
Did not get on with teachers	Important	32.1	*	35.2	22.3	*	22.3
	Not important	111.7	10.7	122.4	77.7	77.5	77.7
Considered some subjects to be too hard	Important	37.5	*	40.5	26.1	*	25.7
	Not important	106.3	10.8	117.1	73.9	78.5	74.3
Were fed up with school	Important	73.6	8.1	81.7	51.2	58.5	51.8
	Not important	70.2	5.7	75.9	48.8	41.5	48.2
Parent's wishes	Important	11.9	*	12.4	8.3	*	7.9
	Not important	131.9	13.3	145.2	91.7	96.6	92.1
Total		143.8	13.8	157.6	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 16. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, BY NUMBER OF DEPENDANTS IN INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Number of dependants in income unit	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
	—'000—				
Government schools—					
0-2	60.8	26.8	30.0	66.4	184.0
3 or more	44.4	19.7	25.4	44.5	133.9
Total	105.2	46.5	55.3	110.9	317.9
Non-government schools—					
0-2	21.1	9.1	11.6	46.7	88.6
3 or more	12.5	6.8	7.1	45.8	72.2
Total	33.6	16.0	18.7	92.5	160.8
All schools—					
0-2	81.9	35.9	41.6	113.1	272.5
3 or more	56.9	26.5	32.5	90.3	206.1
Total	138.7	62.4	74.1	203.4	478.6
	-- per cent --				
Government schools—					
0-2	33.0	14.6	16.3	36.1	100.0
3 or more	33.2	14.7	19.0	33.2	100.0
Total	33.1	14.6	17.4	34.9	100.0
Non-government schools—					
0-2	23.8	10.3	13.1	52.7	100.0
3 or more	17.3	9.4	9.8	63.4	100.0
Total	20.9	10.0	11.6	57.5	100.0
All schools—					
0-2	30.1	13.2	15.3	41.5	100.0
3 or more	27.6	12.9	15.8	43.8	100.0
Total	29.0	13.0	15.5	42.5	100.0

(a) Includes 6,700 students who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 17. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, BY NUMBER OF DEPENDANTS IN INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982

	Income unit income				
Number of dependants in income unit	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	Total
	—'000 —				
Government schools—					
0-2	50.1	24.2	18.0	34.9	127.2
3 or more	33.9	17.3	15.1	20.6	86.9
<i>Total</i>	84.0	41.5	33.1	55.5	214.1
Non-government schools—					
0-2	8.5	*	*	7.6	19.5
3 or more	5.9	5.8	*	5.7	20.9
<i>Total</i>	14.4	8.6	*	13.3	40.4
All schools—					
0-2	58.6	27.0	18.6	42.5	146.7
3 or more	39.7	23.1	18.6	26.3	107.8
Total	98.3	50.1	37.2	68.8	254.5
	— per cent —				
Government schools—					
0-2	39.4	19.0	14.2	27.4	100.0
3 or more	39.0	19.9	17.4	23.7	100.0
<i>Total</i>	39.2	19.4	15.5	25.9	100.0
Non-government schools—					
0-2	43.6	*	*	39.0	100.0
3 or more	28.2	27.8	*	27.3	100.0
<i>Total</i>	35.6	21.3	*	32.9	100.0
All schools—					
0-2	39.9	18.4	12.7	29.0	100.0
3 or more	36.8	21.4	17.3	24.4	100.0
Total	38.6	19.7	14.6	27.0	100.0

TABLE 18. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
POST-SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME
BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)
(^{'000})

Post school qualifications of head of income unit	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
Government schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/Diploma	14.6	6.3	13.0	41.9	75.8
Trade certificate/Other	28.7	19.5	14.1	36.4	98.7
Without post-school qualifications	61.9	20.7	28.2	32.6	143.4
Total	105.2	46.5	55.3	110.9	317.9
Per cent	33.1	14.6	17.4	34.9	100.0
Non-government schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/Diploma	6.1	*	6.0	54.2	70.6
Trade certificate/Other	7.9	5.0	*	18.9	36.4
Without post-school qualifications	19.6	6.7	8.1	19.4	53.9
Total	33.6	16.0	18.7	92.5	160.8
Per cent	20.9	10.0	11.6	57.5	100.0
All schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/Diploma	20.7	10.6	19.1	96.0	146.4
Trade certificate/Other	36.6	24.4	18.7	55.3	135.0
Without post-school qualifications	81.5	27.4	36.3	52.0	197.2
Total	138.7	62.4	74.1	203.4	478.6
Per cent	29.0	13.0	15.5	42.5	100.0

(a) Includes 6,700 students who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 19. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
POST-SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME
BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982
(^{'000})

<i>Post school qualifications of head of income unit</i>	<i>Income unit income</i>				<i>Total</i>
	<i>\$15,000 or less</i>	<i>\$15,001 to \$20,000</i>	<i>\$20,001 to \$25,000</i>	<i>Over \$25,000</i>	
Government schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/ Diploma	7.2	6.6	7.1	9.4	30.4
Trade certificate/ Other	19.3	16.7	14.2	16.5	66.7
Without post-school qualifications	57.4	18.2	11.8	29.6	117.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>84.0</i>	<i>41.5</i>	<i>33.1</i>	<i>55.5</i>	<i>214.1</i>
Per cent	39.2	19.4	15.5	25.9	100.0
Non-government schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/ Diploma	*	*	*	*	7.2
Trade certificate/ Other	*	*	*	*	10.4
Without post-school qualifications	9.5	5.1	*	5.4	22.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>14.3</i>	<i>8.6</i>	<i>*</i>	<i>13.3</i>	<i>40.4</i>
Per cent	35.4	21.3	*	32.9	100.0
All schools—					
Degree/Certificate (non-trade)/ Diploma	9.2	7.7	7.1	13.5	37.5
Trade certificate/ Other	22.2	19.1	15.5	20.3	77.1
Without post-school qualifications	67.0	23.3	14.6	34.9	139.8
<i>Total</i>	<i>98.3</i>	<i>50.1</i>	<i>37.2</i>	<i>68.8</i>	<i>254.5</i>
Per cent	38.6	19.7	14.6	27.0	100.0

TABLE 20. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12: POST-SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)
('000)

Post school qualifications of head of income unit	Income unit income			Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
With post-school qualifications—				
Degree/diploma/certificate (non-trade)	*	*	18.1	27.0
Trade certificates/Other	7.0	6.3	6.3	19.6
Without post-school qualifications	20.5	9.3	12.0	41.8
Total	32.0	20.0	36.4	88.5
Per cent	36.2	22.6	41.2	100.0

(a) Includes 18,800 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of Explanatory notes).

TABLE 21. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: POST-SCHOOL QUALIFICATIONS OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)
('000)

Post school qualifications of head of income unit	Income unit income			Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
With post-school qualifications—				
Degree/diploma/certificate (non-trade)	*	*	10.0	17.7
Trade certificates/Other	15.0	20.7	12.4	48.0
Without post-school qualifications	50.7	23.7	17.6	92.0
Total	69.3	48.3	40.0	157.6
Per cent	44.0	30.6	25.4	100.0

(a) Includes 17,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 22. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
INCOME UNIT INCOME BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Type of school attended	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			— '000 —		
Government schools	105.2	46.5	55.3	110.9	317.9
Roman Catholic schools	24.1	13.9	13.4	53.5	105.0
Other non-government schools	9.5	*	5.3	39.0	55.8
All schools	138.7	62.4	74.1	203.4	478.6
			— per cent —		
Government schools	33.1	14.6	17.4	34.9	100.0
Roman Catholic schools	23.0	13.2	12.8	51.0	100.0
Other non-government schools	17.0	*	9.5	69.9	100.0
All schools	29.0	13.0	15.5	42.5	100.0

(a) Includes 6,700 students who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 23. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS NOT INTENDING TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
INCOME UNIT INCOME BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

Type of school attended	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			— '000 —		
Government schools	84.0	41.5	33.1	55.5	214.1
Roman Catholic schools	13.4	7.2	*	12.0	36.7
Other non-government schools	*	*	..	*	*
All schools	98.3	50.1	37.2	68.8	254.5
			— per cent —		
Government schools	39.2	19.4	15.5	25.9	100.0
Roman Catholic schools	36.5	19.6	*	32.7	100.0
Other non-government schools	*	*	..	*	*
All schools	38.6	19.7	14.6	27.0	100.0

TABLE 24. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12:
INCOME UNIT INCOME BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Type of school attended	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			— '000 —		
Government schools	20.2	8.5	8.8	21.6	59.1
Roman Catholic schools	7.7	*	*	7.2	17.1
Other non-government schools	*	*	*	7.6	12.2
All schools	32.0	10.2	9.8	36.4	88.5
			— per cent —		
Government schools	34.2	14.4	14.9	36.5	100.0
Roman Catholic schools	45.0	*	*	42.1	100.0
Other non-government schools	*	*	*	62.3	100.0
All schools	36.2	11.5	11.1	41.1	100.0

(a) Includes 18,800 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 25. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12:
INCOME UNIT INCOME BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Type of school attended	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			— '000 —		
Government schools	60.3	18.8	21.3	32.6	133.0
Roman Catholic schools	7.0	*	*	5.2	19.6
Other non-government schools	*	*	*	*	*
All schools	69.2	22.4	26.0	40.0	157.6
			— per cent —		
Government schools	45.3	14.1	16.0	24.5	100.0
Roman Catholic schools	35.7	*	*	26.5	100.0
Other non-government schools	*	*	*	*	*
All schools	43.9	14.2	16.5	25.4	100.0

(a) Includes 17,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 26. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL AFTER COMPLETING YEAR 12:
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Current employment status	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			—'000—		
Employed	17.9	6.9	6.5	23.2	54.5
Unemployed	*	*	*	*	7.4
Not in the Labour Force	12.3	*	*	11.1	26.6
Total	32.0	10.2	9.8	36.4	88.5
			— per cent —		
Employed	32.8	12.7	11.9	42.6	100.0
Unemployed	*	*	*	*	100.0
Not in the Labour Force	46.2	*	*	41.7	100.0
Total	36.2	11.5	11.1	41.1	100.0

(a) Includes 18,800 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 27. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12:
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Current employment status	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			—'000—		
Employed	41.2	17.5	19.0	28.7	106.4
Unemployed	18.9	*	*	5.7	31.2
Not in the Labour Force	9.1	*	*	5.6	19.9
Total	69.2	22.4	26.0	40.0	157.6
			— per cent —		
Employed	38.7	16.4	17.9	27.0	100.0
Unemployed	60.6	*	*	18.3	100.0
Not in the Labour Force	45.7	*	*	28.1	100.0
Total	43.9	14.2	16.5	25.4	100.0

(a) Includes 17,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 28. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO COMPLETED OR INTEND TO COMPLETE YEAR 12:
OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Occupation of head of income unit	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			—'000—		
Professional, technical, etc.	7.7	6.1	15.7	69.4	98.8
Administrative, executive and managerial	9.2	*	10.2	58.5	81.8
Clerical	7.3	*	10.0	13.8	35.7
Sales	5.3	6.6	*	7.9	23.8
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	8.7	*	*	8.4	24.9
Transport and communication	8.8	8.9	6.2	8.8	32.6
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	32.5	32.8	26.5	55.6	147.4
Service, sport and recreation	10.6	*	5.5	11.6	30.3
Not employed	80.7	*	*	5.0	90.9
Total(b)	170.8	72.6	83.9	239.8	567.1
			— per cent —		
Professional, technical, etc.	4.5	8.4	18.7	28.9	17.4
Administrative, executive and managerial	5.4	*	12.2	24.4	14.4
Clerical	4.3	*	11.9	5.7	6.3
Sales	3.1	9.1	*	3.3	4.2
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	5.1	*	*	3.5	4.4
Transport and communication	5.2	12.3	7.4	3.7	5.8
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	19.0	45.2	31.6	23.2	26.0
Service, sport and recreation	6.2	*	6.6	4.8	5.3
Not employed	47.2	*	*	2.1	16.0
Total(b)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes 25,500 persons who formed their own income unit (see paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes). (b) Includes armed services.

TABLE 29. PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL OR INTEND TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)

Occupation of head of income unit	Income unit income				Total
	\$15,000 or less	\$15,001 to \$20,000	\$20,001 to \$25,000	Over \$25,000	
			— '000 —		
Professional, technical, etc.	*	*	6.1	11.9	22.2
Administrative, executive and managerial	5.1	*	6.2	17.3	33.2
Clerical	9.7	5.4	*	*	23.7
Sales	9.6	*	*	*	19.8
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	13.2	9.9	*	10.9	38.8
Transport	5.5	11.2	*	8.0	29.4
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	37.0	29.6	31.9	45.3	143.9
Service, sport and recreation	12.9	*	*	*	21.1
Not employed	73.1	*	*	*	80.1
Total	167.5	72.5	63.3	108.8	412.1
			— per cent —		
Professional, technical, etc.	*	*	9.6	10.9	5.4
Administrative, executive and managerial	3.0	*	9.8	15.9	8.1
Clerical	5.8	7.4	*	*	5.8
Sales	5.7	*	*	*	4.8
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	7.9	13.7	*	10.0	9.4
Transport	3.3	15.4	*	7.4	7.1
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	22.1	40.8	50.4	41.6	34.9
Service, sport and recreation	7.7	*	*	*	5.1
Not employed	43.6	*	*	*	19.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes 17,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 30. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO COMPLETED YEAR 12 OR INTEND TO COMPLETE YEAR 12: OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

<i>Occupation of head of income unit</i>	<i>Government schools</i>	<i>Non-government schools</i>	<i>All schools</i>	<i>Government schools</i>	<i>Non-government schools</i>	<i>All schools</i>
	— '000 —			— per cent —		
Professional, technical, etc.	46.3	52.5	98.8	12.3	27.6	17.4
Administrative, executive and managerial	50.2	31.6	81.8	13.3	16.6	14.4
Clerical	26.3	9.3	35.7	7.0	4.9	6.3
Sales	14.8	8.9	23.8	3.9	4.7	4.2
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	19.5	5.4	24.9	5.2	2.9	4.4
Transport	19.9	12.7	32.6	5.3	6.7	5.8
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	116.1	31.3	147.4	30.8	16.5	26.0
Service, sport and recreation	21.9	8.4	30.3	5.8	4.4	5.3
Not employed	61.8	29.1	90.9	16.4	15.3	16.0
Total(a)	377.0	190.1	567.1	100.0	100.0	100.0

(a) Includes armed services.

TABLE 31. SCHOOL STUDENTS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS WHO LEFT SCHOOL OR INTEND TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE COMPLETING YEAR 12: OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT BY TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

<i>Occupation of head of income unit</i>	<i>Government schools</i>	<i>Non-government schools</i>	<i>All schools</i>	<i>Government schools</i>	<i>Non-government schools</i>	<i>All schools</i>
	— '000 —			— per cent —		
Professional, technical, etc.	17.8	*	22.2	5.1	*	5.4
Administrative, executive and managerial	21.1	12.1	33.2	6.1	18.6	8.1
Clerical	16.7	7.0	23.7	4.8	10.8	5.8
Sales	16.6	*	19.8	4.8	*	4.8
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	29.8	9.0	38.8	8.6	13.9	9.4
Transport	25.5	*	29.4	7.3	*	7.1
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	129.2	14.6	143.9	37.2	22.5	34.9
Service, sport and recreation	16.9	*	21.1	4.9	*	5.1
Not employed	73.5	6.6	80.1	21.2	10.2	19.4
Total	347.1	64.9	412.1	100.0	100.0	100.0

TABLE 32. ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE LEFT SCHOOL: CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS BY WHETHER COMPLETED YEAR 12 AND TYPE OF SCHOOL ATTENDED, AUSTRALIA, 1982

<i>Current employment status</i>	<i>Did not complete Year 12</i>	<i>Completed Year 12</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Did not complete Year 12</i>	<i>Completed Year 12</i>	<i>Total</i>
	— '000 —			— per cent —		
Government schools—						
Employed	90.9	38.4	129.3	70.3	29.7	100.0
Unemployed	26.3	6.5	32.8	80.2	19.8	100.0
Not in the Labour Force	15.9	14.2	30.0	52.8	47.2	100.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>133.0</i>	<i>59.1</i>	<i>192.1</i>	<i>69.2</i>	<i>30.8</i>	<i>100.0</i>
Non-government schools—						
Employed	15.5	16.1	31.6	49.1	50.9	100.0
Unemployed	5.0	*	5.8	82.2	*	100.0
Not in the Labour Force	*	12.4	16.5	*	75.2	100.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>24.6</i>	<i>29.3</i>	<i>(a)53.9</i>	<i>45.6</i>	<i>54.4</i>	<i>100.0</i>
All schools—						
Employed	106.4	54.5	160.9	66.1	33.9	100.0
Unemployed	31.2	7.4	38.6	80.8	19.2	100.0
Not in the Labour Force	19.9	26.6	46.5	42.8	57.2	100.0
<i>Total</i>	<i>157.6</i>	<i>88.5</i>	<i>(a)246.0</i>	<i>64.1</i>	<i>36.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>

(a) Comprises 36,700 persons who had attended a Roman Catholic School (of which 23,300 were employed at the time of the survey) and 17,200 who had attended another type of non-government school (of which 8,300 were employed at the time of the survey).

TABLE 33. ALL PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS: WHETHER COMPLETED YEAR 12
BY INCOME UNIT INCOME, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)
(^{'000})

<i>Income unit income</i>	<i>Students still at school</i>		<i>Persons who have left school</i>	
	<i>Intend to complete Year 12</i>	<i>Do not intend to complete Year 12</i>	<i>Completed Year 12</i>	<i>Did not complete year 12</i>
\$15,000 or less	138.7	98.3	32.0	69.2
\$15,001 to \$20,000	62.4	50.1	10.2	22.4
\$20,001 to \$25,000	74.1	37.2	9.8	26.0
Over \$25,000	203.4	68.8	36.4	40.0
Total	478.6	254.5	88.5	157.6

(a) Includes 43,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes).

TABLE 34. ALL PERSONS AGED 14 TO 20 YEARS: WHETHER COMPLETED YEAR 12
BY OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF INCOME UNIT, AUSTRALIA, 1982(a)
(^{'000})

<i>Occupation of head of income unit</i>	<i>Students still at school</i>		<i>Persons who have left school</i>	
	<i>Intend to complete Year 12</i>	<i>Do not intend to complete Year 12</i>	<i>Completed Year 12</i>	<i>Did not complete year 12</i>
Professional, technical, etc.	80.7	15.3	18.1	6.9
Administrative, executive and managerial	65.5	20.8	16.2	12.4
Clerical	28.5	12.7	7.2	11.0
Sales	19.9	10.5	*	9.3
Farmers, fishermen, etc.	21.0	26.0	*	12.8
Transport and communication	30.0	20.3	*	9.1
Tradesmen, production process workers, miners, etc.	132.6	83.1	14.8	60.7
Service, sport and recreation	25.2	14.5	5.1	6.6
Not employed	74.3	51.3	16.6	28.8
Total(b)	478.6	254.5	88.5	157.6

(a) Includes 43,300 persons who formed their own income unit (see Paragraph 9 (c) of the Explanatory notes). (b) Includes armed services.

APPENDIX A—SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

Introduction

The extract which follows shows the questions that were asked of all 14-20 year olds included in the survey. Other questions covering such topics as income, trade qualifications and housing arrangements and costs were included elsewhere in the questionnaire.

2. It has been included to assist in interpretation of the tables, but it should be borne in mind that the questions are asked by interviewers who have been specially trained and have written instructions on the use of the questionnaire.

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26. IN WHICH STATE DID YOU FINISH YOUR LAST YEAR AT SCHOOL?

NSW, Vic, Tas.
ACT

Qld, SA, WA, NT

Overseas → Q.41

27. WHAT WAS THE (YEAR/GRADE/FORM) YOU ATTENDED AT THAT TIME?

NSW, Vic Tas, ACT Qld, SA, WA, NT
in Q.26 in Q.26

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6	5	12
5	4	11
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28. DID YOU ATTEND —

- A (PUBLIC/STATE/GOVERNMENT) SCHOOL? 1
- A ROMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL? 2
- OR SOME OTHER TYPE OF NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOL? 3

29. Sequence Guide

Left school in year 12 (1 in Q.27) → Q.30

Otherwise → Q.43A

30. YOU'VE TOLD ME YOU STAYED ON AT SCHOOL UNTIL (YEAR 12/FORM 6/FORM 5). I'M GOING TO READ OUT SOME REASONS WHY PEOPLE STAY ON AT SCHOOL. FOR EACH REASON, COULD YOU TELL ME WHETHER IT WAS AN IMPORTANT REASON, OR NOT AN IMPORTANT REASON FOR YOU DECIDING TO STAY ON AT SCHOOL.

31. YOUR PARENTS WANT(ED) YOU TO STAY ON.

Important 1
Not important 2

32. YOU (LIKE/LIKED) THE SUBJECTS AT SCHOOL.

Important 1
Not important 2

33. YOU COULDN'T GET A JOB.

Important 1
Not important 2

34. YOU ENJOY(ED) SCHOOL.

Important 1
Not important 2

35. MOST OF YOUR FRIENDS (ARE/WERE) STAYING ON.

Important 1
Not important 2

36. YOU NEED(ED) (YEAR 12/FORM 6/FORM 5) TO GO ON TO UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE.

Important 1
Not important 2

37. THERE (ISN'T/WASN'T) MUCH ELSE TO DO.

Important 1
Not important 2

38. STAYING ON (WILL/WOULD) HELP YOU GET THE JOB YOU WANT(ED).

Important 1
Not important 2

39. OF ALL THE REASONS THAT YOU HAVE TOLD ME ABOUT, (IS/WAS) THERE A MAIN REASON (WHY YOU MAY DECIDE/FOR YOU DECIDING) TO STAY ON AT SCHOOL?

Yes 1
No → Q.41 2

40. WHAT (IS/WAS) IT?

Parents 1
Liked subjects 2
Couldn't get job 3
Enjoyed school 4
Friends staying on 5
Needed Year 12 to go on 6
Nothing else to do 7
To help get a job 8
Other 9

41. Sequence Guide

Still at school, no more questions 1
Left school in 1982 (see Q.25) → Q.83 2
Otherwise → Q.73 3

42. YOU'VE TOLD ME THAT YOU WERE (SURE/UNSURE) THAT YOU WOULD LEAVE SCHOOL IN (YEAR/GRADE/FORM in Q.18).

→ Q.43B

43A. YOU'VE TOLD ME YOU LEFT SCHOOL IN (YEAR/GRADE/FORM in Q.27).

→ Q.43B

43B. I'M GOING TO READ OUT SOME REASONS WHY PEOPLE DECIDE TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE (YEAR 12/FORM 6/FORM 5). FOR EACH REASON, COULD YOU TELL ME WHETHER IT (IS/WAS) AN IMPORTANT REASON OR NOT AN IMPORTANT REASON (WHY YOU MAY DECIDE/FOR YOU DECIDING) TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE (YEAR 12/FORM 6/FORM 5).

44. Sequence Guide

Parents want year 12 (1 in Q.19) → Q.46
Parents don't mind (7 in Q.19) → Q.46
Otherwise → Q.45

45. YOUR PARENTS WANT(ED) YOU TO LEAVE SCHOOL.

Important 1
Not important 2

46. YOU WANT(ED) MONEY OF YOUR OWN.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

47. MOST OF YOUR FRIENDS (ARE/WERE) LEAVING.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

48. YOU WANT(ED) TO BEGIN AN APPRENTICESHIP.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

49. YOU WANT(ED) TO DO A JOB TRAINING COURSE THAT (IS/WAS) NOT AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

50. YOU WANT(ED) TO GET A JOB.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

51. YOU (DON'T/DIDN'T) WANT TO GO ON TO UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

52. YOU (THINK/THOUGHT) SOME OF THE SUBJECTS YOU (DO ARE/DID WERE) USELESS.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

53. YOU (DON'T/DIDN'T) GET ON WITH SOME OF THE TEACHERS.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

54. SOME OF THE SUBJECTS AT SCHOOL (ARE/WERE) TOO HARD.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

55. YOU (ARE/WERE) FED UP WITH SCHOOL.

Important ☐ 1
Not important ☐ 2

56. OF ALL THE REASONS THAT YOU HAVE TOLD ME ABOUT, (IS/WAS) THERE A MAIN REASON (WHY YOU MAY DECIDE/FOR YOU DECIDING) TO LEAVE SCHOOL BEFORE (YEAR 12/FORM 6/FORM 5)?

Yes ☐ 1
No ☐ 2 → Q 58

57. WHAT (IS/WAS) IT?

Parents ☐ 01
Wanting money ☐ 02
Friends leaving ☐ 03
To begin apprenticeship ☐ 04
To do job training ☐ 05
To get a job ☐ 06
Not wanting to go to University ☐ 07
Subjects at school useless ☐ 08
Not liking teachers ☐ 09
Subjects too hard ☐ 10
Fed up with school ☐ 11
Other ☐ 12

